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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the non-final official action dated September 4, 2008, the applicant respectfully requests that the application be reconsidered in light of the following amendments and/or remarks. This response is being filed with a petition for a two-month extension of time and the require fees.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.